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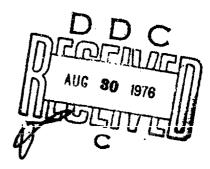
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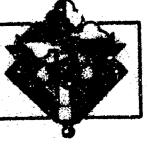
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Except for the small-caliber projectiles, which tend to slip through the weave and defeat the armor, the material backface signature appears to be dependent upon changes in striking kinetic energy, material mass, and material denier.



#### **PREFACE**

The work described in this report was authorized and supported by contract LEAA-J-IAA-005-4 awarded by the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration, US Department of Justice, under the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968, as amended. The work was started in August 1973 and completed in December 1973. The experimental data are contained in notebook MN-2549.

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#### BALLISTIC TEST MATRIX FOR KEVLAR MATERIAL

#### 1. INTRODUCTION.

The National Institute for Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice (NILECJ) of the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration (LEAA) supports a research and development program to improve and strengthen law enforcement methods. To further this end, studies are being conducted to develop an improved lightweight soft armor for protection against specific street threats; i.e., an armor which will withstand perforation by standard .38-caliber and .22-caliber projectiles and which will also reduce to an acceptable level the blunt trauma associated with the impact of these projectiles upon soft armor.

This report describes the ballistic tests performed within a predefined matrix of materials, plies, and ballistics using techniques developed by personnel of the Biophysics Division to determine "backface signature" or behind-the-armor characteristics.\* The more comprehensive matrix which was originally proposed by the Biophysics Division during the initial contract discussions was abbreviated into its present form by personnel of the Aerospace Corporation, the program technical managers. The objective of this abbreviated matrix is to ascertain in a limited number of tests any data trends in the backface signature parameters (e.g., volume of deformation, depth of penetration, and deformation time) as functions of the incident ballistic parameters and material characteristics.

#### II. EXPERIMENTAL METHODS AND PROCEDURES.

#### A. The Test Matrix.

The test matrix, as defined by LEAA, consisted of the following eight tests:

Test 1: The .38-caliber, 158-grain lead projectile was fired at a nominal velocity of 800 fps against 3, 5, 7, 9, 15, and 23 plies of protective material (Kevlar 29, 400/2 denier, PRD-TL-105-26) to determine the effect of the number of plies on the backface signature.

Test 2. The .38-caliber, 158-grain lead projectile was fired at a nominal velocity of 800 fps against 7 plies of Kevlar 29, 400/2 denier, with material standoffs at 0.5 and 1.0 inch; this was repeated using 15 plies of Kevlar 29, 400/2 denier, at a standoff of 1 inch. The effect of material standoff in conjunction with the number of plies on backface signature was evaluated.

Test 3: To examine the effect of material denier on backface signature, the .38-caliber, 158-grain projectile was launched at a nominal velocity of 800 fps against different deniers of Kevlar material having the same areal density (weight/sq ft) as 7 plies of the Kevlar 29, 400/2 denier, material (approximately 0.44 lb/sq ft). The materials tested were: Kevlar 29, 400/2 denier (PRD-TL-105-26), 400/3 denier (PRD 105-27A), and 1500 denier (PRD 105-628).

<sup>\*</sup>Metker, LeRoy W., Prather, Russell N., and Johnson, Earl M. EB-TR-75029. A Method for Determining Backface Signatures of Soft Body Armors. May 1975.

Test 4: The .38-caliber, 158-grain projectile was fired at nominal velocities of 600, 700, 900, and 1000 fps against 7 plies of Kevlar 29, 400/2 denier, to examine the effect of velocity (varying striking kinetic energy, constant mass) on material performance.

Test 5: The .22-caliber, 40-grain projectile was fired at a nominal velocity of 1000 fps against 7 and 15 plies of Kevlar 29, 400/2 denier. This test, similar to test 1, was designed to examine the effect of the number of plies on the backface signature produced by the .22-caliber missile as well as the effect of a missile of smaller caliber, reduced striking kinetic energy, and higher velocity on the material performance characteristics.

Test 6: The 9-mm, 124-grain jacketed bullet, launched at a nominal velocity of 1150 fps, was fired against 15 and 23 plies of the Kevlar 29, 400/2 denier material in a test similar to tests 1 and 5.

Test 7: Projectiles with diameters of .22 caliber, .32 caliber, and .38 caliber were fired against Kevlar 29 at velocities which yield a striking kinetic energy of 305 joules (225 ft-lb). The missile masses and corresponding test velocities were:

.22-caliber, 40-grain projectile at 1600 fps;

.32-caliber, 101-grain projectile at 1000 fps; and

.38-caliber, 158-grain projectile at 800 fps.

This test was designed to examine the combined effect of missile diameter, mass, and striking velocity on material performance while maintaining a constant striking kinetic energy.

Test 8: Projectiles with a diameter of .38 caliber, launched at velocities of 800, 1000, and 1200 fps, were fired against 7 plies of Kevlar 29. The missile mass was adjusted so that a striking kinetic energy of 305 joules (225-ft-lb) was maintained. The missile masses and corresponding velocities were:

.38-caliber, 70-grain projectile at 1200 fps;

.38-caliber, 101-grain projectile at 1000 fps; and

.38-caliber, 158-grain projectile at 800 fps.

This test was designed to examine the effect of changes in momentum at constant striking kinetic energy.

#### B. Experimental Method.

Since a detailed explanation of the measurement of the backface signature was reported earlier.\* only a cursory explanation will be provided here.

<sup>\*</sup>Metker, LeRoy W., Prather, Russell N., and Johnson, Earl M. EB-TR-75029. A Method for Determining Backface Signatures of Soft Body Armors. May 1975.

High-speed motion picture studies of backlighted gelatin blocks (20% gel) were utilized to record the post-impact deformation of armor into the gelatin.

The equipment used is shown in figure 1 and consists of the following:

- 1. The weapon, a Mann barrel of the desired caliber, with remote firing capability;
- 2 A 0.5-meter baseline utilizing a pair of silver grid screens which activate an electronic chronograph (ECI Model 4600) to measure the time of missile flight through the baseline. (The ratio of distance to time yields the velocity at the midpoint of the screens, which is also taken to be the missile striking velocity, drag being considered negligible.)
  - 3. A Redlake Hycam camera focused on the gelatin-armor interface;
  - 4. A large bank of quartz lights to completely backlight the gela. Jock;
  - 5. A steel frame which supports the armor material; and
  - 6. The armor material.

During a test the camera was activated and, when the proper framing rate was achieved, a signal was sent to the gun-firing circuit to activate the weapon.

The developed film was "read" on a Model 29E Telereadex film analyzer and the data were processed through the computer program listed in the appendix. This system provided the following data outputs:

- 1. Precise film speed [pictures per second (pps)];
- 2. Depth of penetration, X (centimeters);
- 3. Approximate velocity of deformation [ $\Delta X$  (centimeters)  $\angle$  film speed (pps)];
- 4. Volume of deformation (cubic centimeters);
- 5. A regression curve which describes the shape of the maximum deformation; and
- 6. Approximate time of deformation (frames of deformation/pps).

#### III. RESULTS.

Regression analysis of the data acquired under this program demonstrated that the deformation could adequately be characterized by a paraboloid of revolution. The parabolic equation used to describe the deformation surface in the computer program was of the form

$$v^2 = a + bx$$

where

y = deformation radius

x = deformation depth

a.b = regression constants

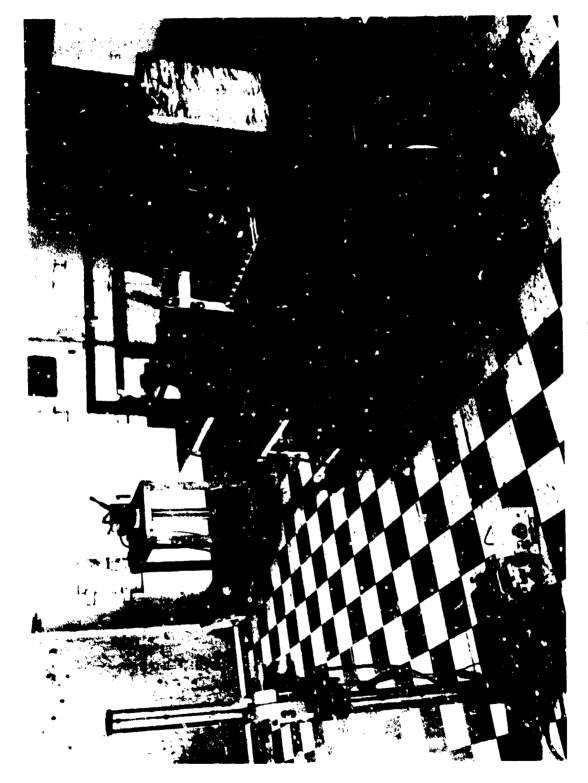


Figure 1. Experimental Setup

The equations defining the deformation surfaces for the tests under this program are listed in tables 1 through 7, along with their corresponding correlation coefficients, root mean square (rms) deviations, maximum deformation depths, and calculated deformation volumes. Plots of some of the test data for which there were sufficient points are shown in figures 2 through 5.

#### IV. MODELING.

In addition to the backface signature parameters already mentioned, the deformations produced were also characterized by dose levels *similar* to those used in the lethality discriminant models described in the Blunt Trauma Data Correlation study.\*

Two provisional models have been proposed under that study. The first, a four-parameter discriminant model, utilizes the maximum number of parameters common to all the published data sets examined. This model, as illustrated in figure 6, accomplishes its discrimination in a plane in which axes  $X_1$ ,  $X_2$  are defined by

$$X_1 = ln(MV^2)$$
 and  $X_2 = ln(WD)$ 

where

M = projectile mass (grams)

V = projectile impact velocity (meters per second)

W = experimental animal body weight (kilograms)

D = projectile diameter (centimeters)

The discriminant lines establish three zones of low, mid, and high lethality; i.e., as the impact dose increases, the probability of lethality should also increase for targets having the same body weight and for projectiles having the same diameter.

The second model, involving eight parameters, provides better live/die discrimination than the four-parameter model. This model (figure 7) also accomplishes its discrimination in a plane in which axes  $Y_1$ ,  $Y_2$  are defined by

$$Y_1 = \ln(MV^2/TWD)$$
 and  $Y_2 = \ln(L/W)$  (%APO<sub>2</sub>) (%VPO<sub>2</sub>)

where

M, V, W, D =same as in model 1

T = tissue thickness (centimeters) over the vital organ impacted

L = the total animal lung weight (grams)

 $%APO_2$  = maximum deviation in arterial oxygen pressure from control value

%VPO<sub>2</sub> = maximum deviation in venous oxygen pressure from control value

As in the four-parameter model, the discriminant lines establish zones of nonlethal, mixed, and lethal response for a live/die criterion.

<sup>\*</sup>Clare, Victor R., Lewis, James H., Mickiewicz, Alexander P., and Sturdivan, Larry M. EB-TR-75016. Blunt Trauma Data Correlation. May 1975.

Table 1. Test 1 - .38-Caliber, 158-Grain Projectile Versus Kevlar 29, 400/2 Denier

Pies	Striking velocity	Maximum depth	Maximum volume	Deformation time	Surface equation	Correlation coefficient	Root mean square
	sdj	ES .	8	3 <b>98</b>			
m	812	6.78	203.43	0.0020	$y^2 = 19.42 - 2.9113X$	0.994	0.171
\$	805	5.69	182.34	0.0019	$y^2 = 21.82 - 4.0841X$	0.993	0.182
7	800	4.82	155.69	0.0017	$y^2 = 22.21 - 4.9496X$	6.993	0.175
6	794	4.53	166.90	0.0019	$y^2 = 25.81 - 6.2174X$	0.989	0.245
15	813	4.08	176.78	0.0020	$y^2 = 30.46 - 8.1706X$	0.984	0.294
23	815	3.38	113.07	0.0025	$y^2 = 22.73 - 7.1491X$	996.0	3115

Table 2. Test 2 - .38-Caliber, 158-Grain Projectile Versus Kevlar 29, 400/2 Denier

in.     fps     cm     ∞     sec       7     0.0•     800     4.82     155.69     0.00       0.5     816     5.70     176.30     0.00       0.5     787     5.48     189.30     0.00       1.0     818     4.78     122.36     0.00       15     0.0     813     4.08     176.78     0.00	volume time equation	Surface Correlation equation	on mean
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0.5     787     5.48     189.30       1.0     818     4.78     122.36       0.0     813     4.08     176.78	0.0020	$y^2 = 22.44 - 4.4190X$ 0.973	0.246
1.0     818     4.78     122.36       0.0     813     4.08     176.78	0.0023	$y^2 = 25.56 - 5.3145X$ 0.969	0.294
0.0 813 4.08 176.78	0.0020	$y^2 = 19.00 - 4.5404X$ 0.958	0.289
	176.78 0.0020 $y^2 = 30.46 - 8.1706X$	-8.1706X 0.984	0.294
1.0 821 4.26 159.41 0.00	0.0022	$y^2 = 27.48 - 7.3092X$ 0.964	0.307

\*From test 1.

Table 3. Test 3 - .38-Caliber, 158-Grain Projectile Versus Various Deniers of Kevlar Material

Material	Denier	Striking velocity	Maximum depth	Maximum volume	Deformation time	Surface equation	Correlation	Root
		fps	cm	99	. <b>%</b>			
3 Plies - 27A	400/3	815	6.21	144.71	0.0020	$y^2 = 17.08 - 3.1120X$	0.973	0.231
4 Plies - 628	1500	827	*LO	CP*				
7 Plies - 29**	400/2	800	4.82	155.69	0.0017	$y^2 = 22.21 - 4.9496X$	0.993	0.175

\*CP - Complete penetration through armor.

\*\*From test 1.

Table 4. Test 4 - .38-Caliber, 158-Grain Projectile Versus 7 Plies of Kevlar 29, 400/2 Denier

Striking velocity	St kineti	Striking kinetic energy	Maximum depth	Maximum volume	Deformation time	Surface equation	Correlation coefficient	Root mean square
sdj	ft-lb	joules	cm	33	sec			
573	115.63	156.77	4.59	112.68	0.0023	$y^2 = 17.60 - 4.2639X$	0.974	0.194
604	127.83	173.31	4.03	112.25	0.0019	$y^2 = 21.72 - 5.9870X$	0.982	0.231
722	182.74	247.76	4.98	180.08	0.0020	$y^2 = 25.88 - 5.7709X$	0.985	0.224
*008	224.75	304.77	4.82	155 59	0.0017	$y^2 = 22.21 - 4.9496X$	0.993	0.175
904	287.62	389.96	5.53	254.76	0.0020	$y^2 = 32.55 - 6.4687X$	0.988	0.245
1013	360.51	488.30	5.59	221.07	0.0017	$y^2 = 27.91 - 5.4819X$	0.988	0.232

\*From test 1.

Table 5. Tests 5 and 6 - Various-Caliber Projectiles, Standard Velocities, Versus Kevlar 29, 400/2 Denier

Projectile	Eje	Plies	Striking velocity	Stril	triking tic energy	Maximum depth	Maximum volume	Deformation time	Surface equation	Correlation coefficient	Root mean square
caliber	grain		fps	ft-Ib	joules	ш	33	၁ခန			
.22	4	7	104	99.96	131.05	2.75	56.42	0.0012	$y^2 = 14.25 - 5.6138X$	0.992	860.0
38	158*	7	008	224.79	304.77	4.82	155.69	0.0017	$y^2 = 22.21 - 4.9496X$	0.993	0.175
22	4	15	1020	92.45	125.35	2.02	29.02	0.0016	$y^2 = 9.80 - 5.1748X$	0660	0.114
38	158*	15	813	232.22	314.85	4.08	176.78	0.0020	$y^2 = 20.46 - 8.1706X$	0.984	0.294
9-mm	124	15	1091	304.74	413.17	**d	CP*				
38	158*	23	815	232.22	314.85	3.38	113.07	0.0025	$y^2 = 22.73 - 7.1491X$	996:0	0.315
9-mm	124	23	1059	286.71	388.73	3.66	93.95	0.0017	$y^2 = 16.25 - 4.4149X$	0.954	0.290

\*From test 1.

\*\* CP - Complete penetration.

Table 6. Test 7 - Various-Mass Projectiles, 225-ft-lb Striking Kinetic Energy, Versus 16 Plies of Kevlar 29, 400/2 Denier

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	.38	158	832	243.59	330.26	4.14	184.03	0.0016	$y^2 = 31.24 - 8.2552X$	0.990	0.243

\*Yawed on impact.

Table 7. Test 8 – .38-Caliber Projectile, Varying Mass, 225-ft-lb Striking Kinetic Energy, Versus 7 Plies of Kevlar 29, 400/2 Denier

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38	70	1218	230.24	312.16	CP*	€ CP•				
.38	101	1000	224.52	304.41	4.56	213.88	0.0018	y <sup>2</sup> = 33.09 - 7.9663X	0.988	0.221
.38	158**	800	224.79	304.77	4.82	155.69	0.0017	$y^2 = 22.21 - 4.9496X$	0.993	0.175
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\*CP - Complete penetration.

\*\* From test 1.

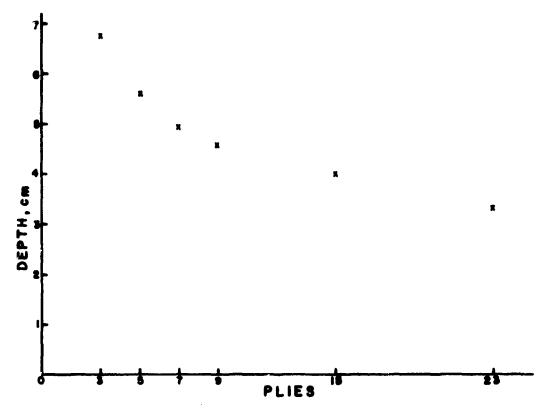


Figure 2. Depth of Penetration into Gelatin for Various Plies of Kevlar 29, 400/2 Denier Material

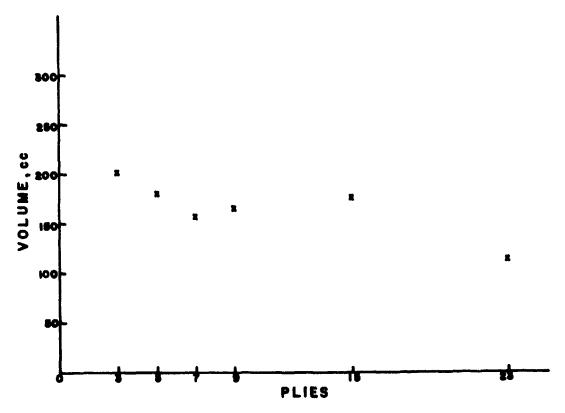


Figure 3. Maximum Deformation Volume in Gelatin for Various Plies of Kevlar 29, 400/2 Denier Material

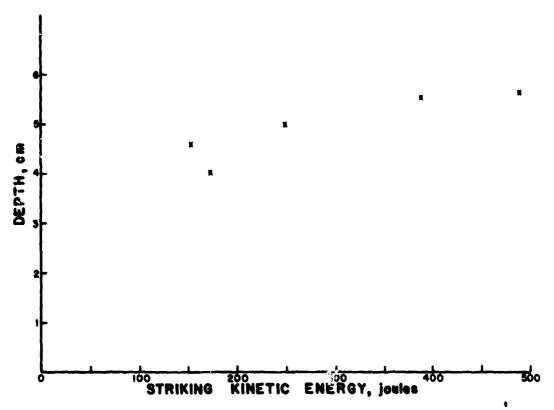


Figure 4. Depth of Penetration of Kevlar 29 into Gelatin for Various Striking Kinetic Energies

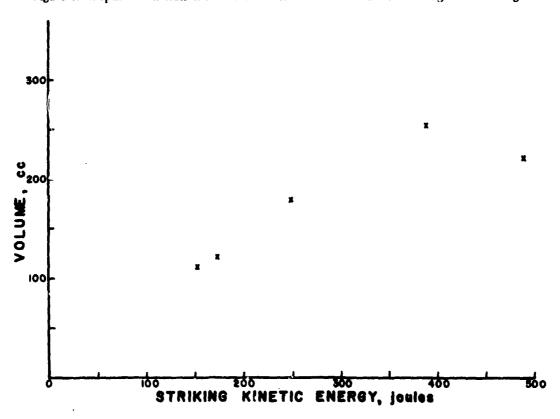


Figure 5. Maximum Deformation Volume of Kevlar 29 in Gelatin for Various Striking Kinetic Energies

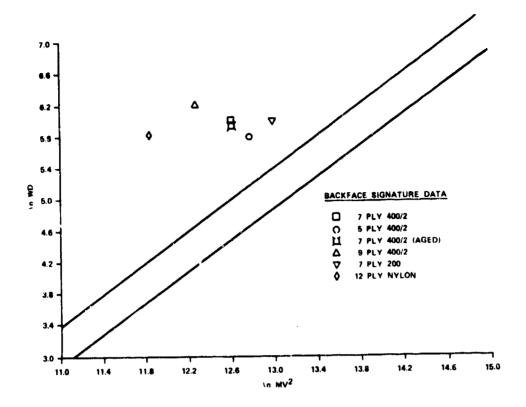


Figure 6. Four-Parameter Lethality Discriminant Model

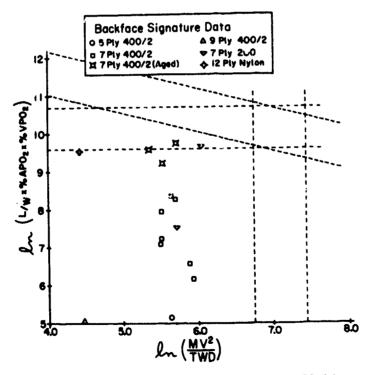


Figure 7. Eight-Parameter Lethality Discriminant Model

These models were formulated from experimental data sets on unarmored animals for which the physical characteristics of the impacting projectile (mass, velocity, diameter) were known. Conditions comparable to those used in the models occur in armor tests when the primary impactor is taken to be that of the missile-material interaction. However, as the armor deforms, the impactor mass and velocity deforming the tissue are changing with time; i.e., the mass is increasing and the velocity is decreasing until at some time "t", depending on the armor deformation characteristics and the tissue response, maximum deformation mass is achieved. At this same point in time, the velocity of the impactor is zero. Thus, a more extensive analysis of the backface signature than that thus far presented is necessary to conform armor deformation to the physical doses used in the models.

### 1. Velocity.

By employing the principle of the conservation of linear momentum, a pseudo-velocity for the armor deformation was derived:

$$M_pV_p = (M_A + M_p)V$$

or

$$V = M_p V_p / (M_A + M_p)$$

where

M<sub>p</sub>, V<sub>p</sub> = the initial mass (kilograms) and velocity (meters per second) of the impacting projectile

 $M_A$  = the armor deformation mass (kilograms)

V = the "effective" armor velocity (meters per second)

#### 2. Mass.

The mass used in applying the soft armor deformation to the models was that of the projectile-armor mass involved in the maximum deformation. As a conservative approach, the armor mass was assumed to be the mass derived by using the base of the deformation cone; i.e.,

$$M_A = (A_B) (a.d.)$$

where

 $A_{R}$  = the base area of the deformation surface (square centimeters)

a.d. = the areal density of the armor material (grams per square centimeter)

These estimates of mass and velocity yield a conservative dose level because the models employ an energy term, MV<sup>2</sup>, and the armor mass is used to determine the "effective" velocity behind the armor. If the entire surface mass had been used, a smaller "effective" velocity would then be derived and hence a smaller dose level would be predicted. Furthermore, it is not known at this time whether the deformation of armor involved is due to purely material elongation, slack in sample mounting, or a combination of the two.

Although no animal experiments were involved in the matrix test and none of the physiological response parameters were measured, two approaches were used to illustrate the effects of the physical doses derived from the backface signatures of the various tests. First, the four-parameter model was used and a nominal animal weight of 40 kg was assumed. The dose-response levels for the various test matrix points are listed in table 8. All fall well within the nonlethal zone shown in figure 6.

Secondly, a dose level,  $ln(MV^2/D)$ , similar to that used in the eight-parameter lethality model, was derived to provide a relative ranking of the various backface signatures. An analysis of the experimental data used to derive this model revealed that a dose level >11.0 could produce lethality. Intuitively, it is assumed that, as the dose level decreases, a corresponding decrease in tissue damage will result.

### V. CONCLUSIONS.

- Test 1. An increase in the number of material plies (increase in material mass) produced an expected decrease in the depth of penetration, volume of deformation, and dose.
  - Test 2. Standoff produced no significant effect.
- Test 3. Kevlar 29, 400/2 denier, was more effective in reducing the depth of penetration than either the 400/3-denier or the 1500-denier material.
- Test 4. Increasing the striking velocity of the .38-caliber, 158-grain projectile increased the backface signature.
- Tests 5 and 6. These two tests ranked the severity of the more common threats. As one would expect, the backface signature ranked the threats from most severe to least severe as: (1) 9-mm, 124-grain projectile; (2) .38-caliber, 158-grain projectile; and (3) .22-caliber, 40-grain projectile. To defeat the particular 9-mm projectile tested, the use of more than 15 but less than 23 plies of Kevlar 29, 400/2 denier material is required. The .22-caliber projectile, when defeated, produces a significantly lower backface signature than the other two threats.
- Test 7. An increase in missile diameter, through the use of standard caliber projectiles, produced little, if any, increase in the backface signature parameters. A constant striking kinetic energy of 305 joules was maintained by adjusting the impact velocities of the .22-caliber (40-grain), .32-caliber (101-grain), and .38-caliber (158-grain) projectiles.
- Test 8. Maintaining a constant missile diameter and constant striking kinetic energy by increasing the missile mass and decreasing the velocity appears to have little effect on the backface signature.

Except in the case of small-caliber projectiles, which tend to slip through the weave and defeat the armor, the material backface signature appears to be dependent upon changes in striking kinetic energy, material mass, and material denier. However, the sample size for this test is too small to allow any definite conclusions to be drawn.

Table 8. Dose Levels for Test Matrix Rounds

Test	Projec	ctile	Striking velicity	Material	In(MV <sup>2</sup> )	ln(WD)	in(MV <sup>2</sup> /D)
	caliber	grain	fps				
1	.38	158	812	3-Ply Kevia: 29	12.9	5.9	10.7
			805	5-Ply Kevlar 29	12.7	5.9	10.5
			800	7-Ply Kevlar 29	12.5	5.9	10.3
			794	9-Ply Kevlar 29	12.3	6.0	10.0
			813	15-Ply Kevlar 29	12.0	6.0	9.6
			815	23-Ply Kevlar 29	11.9	5,8	9.8
2	.38	158	800	7-Ply Kevlar 29	12.5	5.9	10.7
[			816	7-Ply Kevlar 29, 0.5-inch standoff	12.5	6.0	10.2
			818	7-Ply Kevlar 29, 1.0-inch standoff	12.5	6.0	10.3
į	}		813	15-Ply Kevlar 29	12.0	6.0	9.6
<u> </u>	} ]		821	15-Ply Kevlar 29, 1.0-inch standoff	11.8	6.1	9.4
3	.38	158	815	3-Ply 105-27A, 400/3	_	_	-
		ļ	827	4-Ply 105-628, 150	CP*	_	-
i			800	7-Ply Kevlar 20	12.5	5.9	10.3
4	.38	158	573	1-Ply Kevlar 29	11.9	5.8	9.8
		}	604	7-Ply Kevlar 29	11.9	5.9	9.7
			722	7-Ply Kevlar 29	12.2	6.1	9.8
			800	7-Ply Kevlar 29	12.5	5.9	10.3
			904	7-Ply Kevlar 29	12.5	6.2	10.0
			1013	7-Ply Kevlar 29	12.8	6.1	10.4
5	.22	40	1044	7-Ply Kevlar 29	11.0	5.8	8.9
			1020	15-Pl. Kevlar 29	10.7	5.6	8.7
6	9-mm	124	1091	   15-Ply Keviar 29	CP	-	_
			1059	23-Ply Kevlar 29	12.1	5.7	10.1
7	.22	40**	1502	16-Ply Ke. la: 29	10.3	6.1	7.9
	.32	101	1056	15-Pl <sub>3</sub> Kevlar 29	11.7	6.0	9.4
	.38	158	832	16-Ply Kevlar 29	11.8	6.1	9.4
8	.38	7,	1120	7-Ply Kevlar 29	12.2	5.7	10.3
	.38	101	1000	7-Ply Kevlar 29	11.8	6.2	9.2
	.38	158	800	7-Ply Kevlar 29	12.5	5.9	10.5
<u></u>	nloto none:		<del></del>	<u> </u>	<del></del>	<del></del>	

<sup>\*</sup>Complete penetration.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Missile yawed.

#### **APPENDIX**

#### BACKFACE SIGNATURE COMPUTER PROGRAM

```
1*
           REAL MSE, MSR
2*
           DIMENSION XP(100), YP(100)
3*
           DIMENSION X(100), Y(100), TITLE (13)
4*
           DIMENSION SM (100)
5*
      1000 FORMAT ( 1111,
                          19HREGKESSION ANALYSIS
6*
      2000 FORMAT (12 , 13A6 )
7*
       2500 FORMAT ( 1H
                         , 13A6 )
       3000 FORMAT (2F10.2)
8*
9*
                       Y =:
                                 , F10.4 , 3H+ ( , F10.4 , 3H) X
      400° FORMAT (9H
                                , F10.4 , 3H+ ( , F10.4 , 8H)LOG(X)
10*
      4100 FORMAT (9H
                          Y =
                                                  , F10.4 , 8H) X
11*
       4200 FORMAT (9H LOGY =
                                , F10.4 , 3H+ (
                                         , 3H+ ( , F10.4 , 8H) LOG(X)
12*
       4300 FORMAT (9H LOGY =
                                , F10.4
       4400 \text{ FORMAT (9H 1/Y} =
                                , F10.4
                                         , 3H+ ( , FI.0.4 , 8H)LOG(X)
13*
                                         , 3H+ ( , F10.4 , 8H)1/X
14*
       4500 FORMAT (9H LOGY =
                                , F10.4
                                         , 3H4 ( , F10.4 , 3H) X
15*
       4600 \text{ FORMAT } (9\text{H } 1/\text{Y} =
                                 , F10.4
                                         , 3H+ ( , F15.4 , 8H) 1/X
       4700 \text{ FORMAT} ()H 1/Y =
16*
                                 , F10.4
                                , F10.4 , 3H+ ( , F10.4 , 8H) 1/X
17*
       4800 FORMAT (9H Y =
                             F7.4 , 2H = F10.2 , 3H+ (F10.4, 5H) X**
18*
       4900 FORMAT (5H Y**
19*
           1,F7.4
                   )
       5000 FORMAT (1HO, 10X, 14HSTANDARD ERROR ,12X, 1HT,
20*
       5500 FORMAT (2H A , 2F20.5 , 5X 15HSIGNIFICANT AT
                                                                 , F6.2.
21*
22*
          19H PER CENT
       5600 FORMAT (2H B , 2F20.5 , 5X 15HSIGNIFICANT AT
23*
                                                                  , F6.2 ,
24*
          19H PER CENT
                            __)
                                                  , //, 7H SOURCE , 10X,
25*
       5700 FORMAT (1H , 20HANALYSIS OF VARIANCE
           12HDF , 10X , 11HMEAN SQUARE , 10 , 1HF ,//)
26*
       6500 FORMAT (11H REGRESSION , 6X, 1H1 , 10X , F10.5 , 6X , F10.0 ,
27*
           115HSIGNIFICANT AT , F6.2 , 9H PER CENT )
28*
                               8X , I3 , 10X , F10.5 , //, 4H R =
29*
       6600 FORWAT (6H ERROR
           1F10.5,4X,15HSIGNIFICANT AT , F6.2 ,9H PER CENT ,///)
30*
       7000 FORMAT (1H ,12X,3H X , 10 X 1HY , 10X 9HYESTIMATE ,9X,'Y-YEST'
31*
32*
          1//)
33*
       8000 FORMAT (1H ,4F15.5)
34*
         1 PY = 1.0
35*
           PX=1.0
36*
           RX-0.0
37*
           WRITE (6,1000)
38*
           READ (5,2000) JTYPE, (TITLE(I), I = 1,13)
39*
           WRITE (6.2500)
                                  (TITLE(I), I = 1,13)
           WRITE (6,21) JTYPE
40*
41*
         21 FORMAT (1H ,14)
42*
           D0 8 I = 1,100
43*
           READ (5,3000,END = 9) XP(I),YP(I)
44*
         8 CONTINUE
45*
         9 N = I - 1
46*
           IF (JTYPE.NE.-1) GO TO 10
```

```
47*
             DO 75 JTYPE = 0.8
48*
         10 \text{ CX} = 0.0
49*
             SY = 0.0
50*
             SXSQ = 0.0
51*
             SYSQ = 0.0
52*
             SXY = 0.0
            M=0
53*
54*
             I=0
55*
             IF (JTYPE.NE.9) GO TO 5
56*
             READ (5,3000) PX ,PY
57*
         5 CONTINUE
58*
             I=I+1
59*
             X(I) = XP(I)
             Y(I) = YP(I)
60*
61*
             IF (JTYPE.EQ.0) GO TO 20
62*
             30 TO (11,12,13,14,15,16,17,18,19,19), JTYPE
63*
         11 \times (I) = ALOG10(X(I))
64*
             GO TO 20
         12 Y(I) = ALOG10(Y(I))
65*
             30 TO 20
66*
         13 \times (I) = ALOGLO(X(I))
67*
68*
             Y(I) = ALOG10(Y(I))
69*
             GO TO 20
70*
         14 \times (I) = ALOG10(X(I))
             Y(I)=1.0/Y(I)
72*
             GO TO 20
          15 X(I) = 1.0/X(I)
73*
74*
             Y(I) = ALOG10(Y(I))
75*
             GO TO 20
76*
          16 Y(I) = 1.0/Y(I)
             GO TO 20
77*
          17 \times (I) = 1.0/X(I)
78*
79*
             Y(I) = 1.0/Y(I)
             CO TO 20
80*
         18 X(I) = 1.0/X(I)
81*
             GO TO 20
82*
          19 X(I) = X(I) **PX
83*
             Y(I) = Y(I) **PY
84*
          20 SY = SY + Y(I)
85*
             SX = SX + X(I)
86*
             SXSQ = SXSQ + X(I)**2.0
87*
             SYSQ = SYSQ + Y(I)**2.0
88*
             SXY = SXY + X(I)*Y(I)
89*
             M=M+1
90*
             IF (M.NE.N) GO TO 5
91*
92*
          25 CONTINUE
             B = (SXY - (SX*SY/FLOAT(N)))/(SXSQ - (SX(SX/FLOAT(N)))
93*
             A = (SY/FLOAT(N) - B*SX/FLOAT(N))
94*
             MSR = (SXY - SX*SY/FIGMT(N))**2.0/(SXSQ - SX**2.0/FIGMT(N))
95*
             DF = FLOAT(N) - 2.0
96*
             MSE = ((SYSQ - SY**2.0/FLOAT(N)) - MSR)/DF
97*
98*
             F = MSR/MSE
```

```
CORR =SORT (MSR/(SYSO - SY**2.0 FLOAT (N)))
99*
             TR = CORR*SQRT(LU)/(1.0 - CORR**2.0))
100*
             SEA=SORT (SXSQ*SEB/FLOAT (N))
101*
             SEB = SQRT (MSE/(SXSQ - SX**2.0/r1OA('(N)))
102*
             TA = A/SEA
103*
             TB = B/SEB
104*
             IF (JTYPE.EQ.0) GO TO 40
105*
             GO TO (41,42,43,44,45,46,47,48,49,49) ,JTYPE
106*
          40 WRITE (6,4000) A,E
107*
             GO TO 50
108*
109*
          41 WRITE (6,4100) A,B
             GO TO 50
110*
           42 WRITE (6,4200) A,B
111*
              GO TO 50
112*
           43 WRITE (6,4300) A,B
113*
             GO TO 50
114*
           44 WRITE (6,4400) A,B
115*
             GO TO 50
116*
117*
           45 WRITE (6,4500) A.B
              CO TO 50
118*
           46 WRITE (6,4600) A,B
119*
              GO TO 50
120*
121*
           47 WRITE (6,4700) A,B
122*
              GO TO 50
1.23*
           48 WRITE (6,4800) A,B
             GO TO 50
124*
125*
           49 WRITE (6,4900) PY,A,B,PX
126*
           50 CONTINUE
127*
              WRITE (6,5000)
128*
              ABTA = ABS(TA)
129*
              ABTB = ABS(TB)
              IDF' = N-2
130*
131*
              VARL = STUD (ABTA, IDF)
132*
              VAR1 = 100.0*VAR1
133*
              VAR2 = STUD(APTB, IDF)
134*
              VAR2 = 100.0*VAR2
135*
              WRITE (6,5500) SEA , TA , VARL
136*
              WRITE (6, 5600) SEB , TB , VAR2
              WRITE (6, 5700)
137*
138*
              TREG = SQRT(F)
              VAR3 = STUD (TREG, IDF)
139*
140*
              VAR3 = 100.0*VAR3
141*
              WRITE (6,6500) MSR , F , VAR3
142*
              VAR4 = STUD(TR, IDF)
143*
              VAR4 = 100.0*VAR4
144*
              WRITE (6,6600) IDF , MSE , CORR , VAR4
              WRITE (6,7000)
145*
146*
              DO 75 I=1,N
147*
              YEST=A+B*X(I)
148*
              IF (JTYPE.EQ.0) GO TO 60
149*
              GO TO (60,62,62,64,62,64,64,60,69,69,69) , JTYPE
150*
           62 YEST = 10.0**YEST
```

```
151*
              CO TO 60
           64 \text{ YEST} = 1.0/\text{YEST}
152*
153*
              GO TO 60
154*
           69 IF (YEST.LT.0.0) GO TO 80
              YEST=YEST**(1.0/PY)
155*
           60 \text{ SM}(I) = \text{YP}(I) - \text{YEST}
156*
157*
              GO TO 81
158*
           80 YEST-0.0
159*
              SM(I)=0.0
160*
              CO TO 93
161*
           81 WRITE (6,8000) XP(I), YP(I), YEST, SM(I)
162*
              RRX=SM(I)*SM(I)
163*
              RX=RX+RRX
164*
              GO TO 75
           93 WRIT. (6,8000) XP(I), YP(I), YEST, SM(I)
165*
166*
           75 CONTINUE
167*
              RRXX=RX/N
168*
              RMS=SQRT (RRXX)
1.69*
              WRITE (6,97) RMS
170*
              VCL=3.141592653*XP(1)*A+/3.141592653/2.0)*B*XP(1)**2
              PRINT 98, VOL
171*
           98 FORMAT (2X, 'VOLUME=', F10.5, 1X, 'CUBIC CENTIMETERS')
172*
           97 FORMAT (///1H , 'RMS = ',F10.5)
173*
174*
              GO TO 1
175*
              END
```

```
DIMENSION DIAMY (20), DEPTHX (20), XNEW (20), YNEW (20), CXNEW (20),
                1CYNEW(20),COD(20),COW(20),V(20)
 3*
                 DIMENSION TITLE (10)
 4*
                 READ 7, JTYPE, (TITLE(I), I=1,10)
 5*
                 PRINT 8, (TITLE (I), I=1,10)
 6*
                 READ 1,M,N,X,Y,PPS
                  M-REPRSEENTS THE NO. OF FRAME COUNTS TO MAX. DEPTH
 7*
         C
 8*
                  N-REPRSEENTS THE NO. OF DIAMETERS MEASURED FROM MAX DEPTH
 9*
                 READ 2, (DEPTHX(I), I=1,M)
                 READ 2, (DLAMY (I), I=1,N)
10*
                 PRINT 9, (DEPTHX(I), DIAMY(I), I=1,N)
11*
12*
               1 FORMAT (5X, 12, 5X, 12, 5X, F4.0, 5X, F4.05X, F5.0)
13*
               2 FORMAT (16F5.0)
14*
                 CX=10.0/X
15*
                 CY=4.0/Y
16*
                 DO 10 I=1,M
17*
              10 COD(I)=DEPTHX(I)*CX
18*
                 DO 20 I=1,N
19*
              20 COW(I)=DIAMY(I)*CY
20*
                 XINC=DEPTHX (M) /10.0
21*
                 XNEW (1) =DEPTHX (M)
22*
                 J=0
23*
                 DO 30 I=1,10
24*
                 K=N-J
25*
                 J=J+1
26*
                 XNEW(I) = DEPTHX(M) - (FLOAT(I-1) *XINC)
27*
              30 YNEW(I)=DIAMY(K)
28*
                 DO 40 I=1,10
29*
                 CXNEW(I)=XNEW(I)*CX
30*
              40 CYNEW(I)=YNEW(I)*CY/2.0
31*
                 DO 50 I=1,M
32*
              50 V(I) = (COD(I) - COD(I-1)) *PPS*10**-2
33*
                 TIME=FLOAT (M) * (1.0/PPS)
34*
                 PRINT 3,M,N,X,Y,XINC,PPS
35*
                 PRINT 4, (CXNEW(I), CYNEW(I), I=1,10)
36*
                 PRINT 5,V(1),TIME
37*
                 PRINT 5, (V(I), I=2,11)
38*
               3 FORMAT()
39*
                 PRINT 12, (COD(I), COW(I), I=1.N)
40*
              12 FORMAT('0',3X,'CEPTH CONVERSION',10X,'WIDTH CONVERSION',/(3X,
41*
                1F8.4,10X,F8.4))
42*
               4 FORMAT('0',3X,'X',10X,'Y',/(F8.4,3X,F8.4))
43*
               5 FORMAT('0',3X,'VELOCITY',10X,'TIME',/(3X,F8.4,10X,F8.4))
44*
               6 FORMAT (3X, F8.4)
45*
              7 FORMAT (12, 10A6)
              8 FORMAT('1',2X,'FILM NUMBER',2X,10A6)
9 FORMAT(2X,'RAW VALUES FOR TEST MATRIX',/(2X,F10.5,2X,F10.5))
46*
47*
48*
             11 FORMAT (2F10.2)
49*
                 WRITE (7,7) JTYPE, (TITLE(I), I=1,10)
50*
                VRITE(7,11) (CXNEW(I), CYNEW(I), I=1,10)
51*
                 CONTINUE
52*
                 STO?
53*
                 END
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